

Today's News of the Great Southwest

ARTESIA TO HAVE AN ICE FACTORY

Work Begins on the New County Bridge—Many Go to Hear Sembrich.

Artesia, N. M., Jan. 24.—C. M. Meade, of Oklahoma City, is making a second visit here, completing arrangements to put in a 10 ton ice plant. It is to be located just north of the alfalfa mill. Mr. Meade is investing considerably in Artesia.

At a meeting of the Commercial club it was voted to petition the railroad to build a switch leading directly to the ice plant.

A committee, consisting of Gayle Talbot, S. W. Gilbert, S. E. Ferre, Olin Hagdale and Jas. D. Whelan, accompanied by county surveyor Cunningham, J. T. Patrick and I. R. Daniels, went out to finally determine the exact site upon which the new bridge across the river is to be built. It will be about three miles from town, in line with the most direct route to the plains. At a meeting of the Commercial club, the decision of the committee was endorsed. The bridge will be under construction this week, as the material and the men are on the ground.

J. Kendrick, the new bookkeeper at the Joyce-Fruit company, and W. S. Haidfield, proprietor of the Artesia Mercantile company, have been elected members of the Commercial club.

A resolution has been introduced to eliminate the social features of the Commercial club and will be posted for 30 days, when it will be brought up for final action.

Quite a large party will go from here to Roswell tonight on the special train to be run for the purpose of attending the Sembrich concert.

BRIDE AT BISBEE COL- LAPSES: IN HOSPITAL.

Husband Accused on Charge of Leaving a Debt—Golf, Basketball, Bowling and Other Sports.

Bisbee, Ariz., Jan. 24.—Mrs. Frank Black, a Texas girl, recently married to Dr. Black, collapsed yesterday, on hearing that her husband was in jail for debts. She was taken to the hospital of the Calumet and Arizona in a state of nervous prostration.

The Bisbee High school girls won the basketball game over the Douglas girls by a score of 25 to 1.

A golf tournament was held Sunday in connection with the races. In the morning it was a freecollet contest for the Pecos cup. In the afternoon the tournament consisted of three separate matches of playing nine balls from points of 25, 50 and 100 yards, from the ninth hole to the ninth green.

The Slow Boys defeated the Shamrocks by a score of 1195 to 1194 in the bowling tournament at the Y. M. C. A. The billiard game played by Scott and Rankin was won by the former by a score of 100 to 57.

MANY HOMESEKERS FLOCK TO DALHART TO SETTLE.

Dalhart, Texas, Jan. 24.—Never in the history of this city have there been so many homeseekers and prospective settlers on the streets as at present. The hotels, livery stables and garages are doing a rushing business. The weather conditions have been excellent for some seeking, the wheat crop is looking fine, and several sections of land have been sold.

B. H. Tallmadge, assistant general manager of the Elgin, Ochiltree & Western Railroad company, with headquarters at Elgin, received a telegram from Chicago to the effect that the bonds issued under conditions approved by the company, would undoubtedly be taken. The telegram confirms arrangements made by Mr. Tallmadge before leaving Chicago.

B. H. Tallmadge has recently been made general manager of the new railroad company. Mr. Tallmadge has taken charge of the sale of townships along the line and promises to settle the country with the same class of people which his company took to the Pecos valley.

PROSPECTING FOR GAS AND OIL IN TEXAS PANHANDLE.

Dalhart, Texas, Jan. 24.—All interest here is centered in the work and observations of Col. E. A. Coleman and C. A. Wolfe, secretary and treasurer and general manager, respectively, of the Big Four Development company, of Ohio. The men are prospecting this section of the Panhandle, making geological observations and following the indications from the Oklahoma oil wells in the hopes of finding oil near this city.

Col. Coleman says he is not as confident of finding oil here as he is of finding gas. The oil veins, he believes, are farther south. He is enthusiastic over the prospect of finding gas, however.

Both Col. Coleman and Mr. Wolfe have been in the oil prospecting business all their lives.

BAPTISTS BUILD AT VAN HORN

L. R. Millican, of El Paso, to Be Pastor—Van Horn News Notes.

Van Horn, Tex., Jan. 24.—The Baptists are going to erect a church building soon. Rev. L. R. Millican, of El Paso, was elected minister for the ensuing year.

The T. P. Railroad company has built a new addition to the pump house, and will still do more improving while the work gang is here.

Mrs. L. J. Hall has returned from her trip east, where she has been visiting relatives, visiting him.

George Mann and Mr. McCaffrey were in town.

J. M. Daugherty came in from the ranch and made a flying trip to El Paso.

Mrs. Aultman and daughter, Rena, were recent Van Horn visitors, who left for El Paso Friday noon, the train being six hours late.

A. Cox has just installed a pump-out outfit on his land in the Lobo valley, over his new well.

Mrs. Taylor, of Missouri, a sister of Dr. McGee, whom he has not seen for 20 years, is visiting him.

Several capitalists came through here with Smith Bros., going to Lobo to open up a townsite, and make extensive improvements upon the recently acquired land that Smith Bros. bought of J. K. Brown.

Earl Yarbro and Sid Horton were in from the ranch, where they have completed laying six miles of pipe, piping water to T. H. Yarbro's ranch near Dalberg.

W. D. Garret and son, Guy, were in from the ranch and report stock doing well. The recent snows and rains adding much strength to the grass.

Glenn Durill was in town from his ranch east of town the last of the week attending the supper and dance.

There was a dance in the old school house Saturday night, given by the Van Horn Progressive league, which was well attended, until 11:30 p. m., when all went to the oyster supper at D. B. Jackson's Central hotel.

Supper was here to attend the supper and dance.

Will Cassin, who has just completed two wells on the Green River ranch south of town for Mr. Taylor, is in town for a few days.

A. K. Platt and family left for their new home in Idaho. Mr. Platt sold his residence to J. H. Beach, who has moved in.

Mr. Fred Gibson and Mrs. Scott are in from their ranches.

Mrs. Buck Bounds and Guy Bounds were in town this week.

FAMILIES SETTLE FAST AT COURTLAND

Courtland Will Vote Dry on Prohibition Question.

Brief Notes.

Courtland, Ariz., Jan. 24.—Over 40 families have filed on land in the Sulphur Springs valley, in the vicinity of Courtland, this month. A colony from Texas, in charge of A. G. Lovelady, arrived in a special car to take up land near Whitewater. George H. Rice, of the Courtland Investment company, and John A. Deering, of Deering & Knight, report a large number of settlers coming the first of next month from nearly every state in the union.

Courtland is expected to vote dry at the special election next Wednesday, when the county voters on the license question.

H. A. Smith, a pioneer rancher in the Chihuahuan mountains, has bought two lots and four cottages in Courtland from Tom Callaway.

Dr. E. T. Wilkinson went to Douglas to meet his wife and son, who have arrived from Mississippi, to make Courtland their home.

The old maid convention, given by the women of Courtland Saturday evening, was largely attended and pronounced a hit.

A number of Chickasha, Okla., capitalists are looking over Courtland and vicinity for investments.

The Gold Queen gold mine is building ore bins and getting ready to ship its ore to the Commonwealth mill at Pearce.

The Courtland chamber of commerce and mines will elect its permanent officers for the ensuing year, Tuesday evening.

ALAMOGORDO CONCERN TAKES OUT INCORPORATION PAPERS.

Santa Fe, N. M., Jan. 24.—Incorporation papers were filed by the Mountain King company, of Alamogordo, with \$200,000 capitalization. The incorporators and directors are: Thomas F. Wadsack and Charles H. McIntyre, of St. Louis, and H. Middleton, of Alamogordo.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC TO BUY TWIN BUTTES

Nogales-Tucson Cutoff Is Included—Snowfall of Arizona.

Nogales, Ariz., Jan. 24.—Advices from Tucson are that the stockholders of the Twin Buttes Railroad company have authorized the sale of 18 miles of the Twin Buttes road to the Southern Pacific company for the sum of \$215,000. The sale includes the trackage also of the Nogales-Tucson "cut-off" line.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Jacoby, of Hermosillo, are in Nogales.

E. E. Keast, deputy organizer for the Yeoman for Arizona, is traveling over the territory for the purpose of organizing lodges of that order in all the principal cities and towns.

H. J. Karns has returned from Los Angeles, where he was present at the great aviation meet.

The following report from the United States weather bureau shows a decided increase in the snowfall during December.

Nogales, 2 inches; Bisbee, 6 inches; Globe, 1 inch; Jerome, 9 inches; Paradise, 10 inches; Ashfork, 30 inches; Flagstaff, 22 inches; Williams, 36 inches; and Skull Valley, Yavapai county, 49 inches.

The Flagstaff forest service station reported 110 inches of snow on December 31.

V. J. Hysham and Ben Sneed, cattle buyers, have returned from a business trip to Magdalena, Mexico.

TEXAN SHOOT OFF TOES, HUNTING NEAR BARSTOW.

Japanese Colony Purchases Land for Truck Farm—Barstow Personalities and Vicinity News Notes.

Barstow, Texas, Jan. 24.—Jack Reeces accidentally shot off two of his toes while out hunting and has returned to his home at Roscoe, Texas.

Jesse Key and Miss Maud Anderson Grove over to Pecos recently and were quietly married.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Smith were at Grandfalls recently, where they attended a reunion of the Smith family.

E. W. Wilson and B. M. Ricks, of Mansfield, La., are here on a business visit.

A. L. Dunkin and Jack Stacy, of Wauka, Okla., are in the city.

H. H. Combs, of Potter, Neb., is here on a visit to the family of Rev. Mr. Oberholzer.

A. E. Dow, of McKinney, Texas, is here on a visit.

E. A. Smith, of Lincoln, Neb., has purchased land here and will start a nursery.

A Japanese colony has purchased land near Barstow, and will begin a truck farm at once.

T. L. Patrick has sold to C. J. Pope 50 acres near Barstow; consideration \$5000.

Dr. E. R. Jenkins and S. W. Neal, of Fort Worth, have purchased a large tract of land in the Biggs settlement recently.

ESTANCA LODGES INSTALL ORATORICAL CONTEST HELD.

Estancia, N. M., Jan. 24.—The M. W. A. and R. N. A. local lodges held a joint installation of officers recently.

The installation was public, and many people were in attendance. A banquet was served, and a general feeling of good fellowship prevailed.

The Muscular Branch have sold their millinery store to Mesdames Virgie Block and Meadows. The former proprietors will go to their respective ranches and oversee the spring work.

The Fresh Fruit branch held a business meeting recently and elected Mr. McClennahan deacon, Miss Bessie Marsh chorister, and Mrs. Condit assistant organist.

Judge Niebett has sold his livery stock to H. G. Souders, and leased him the barn.

S. C. Arrendel marketed a wagon-load of Mexican beans recently, which brought 5 cents per pound.

Sid Harris has sold his butcher shop to Pugh & Co.

Dr. M. L. Garvin and family, of Tulsa, Okla., have leased a ranch near Estancia, and will make this country their home.

E. A. Mayo has returned to Tularosa. R. N. Maxwell has gone on a business trip to Albuquerque and Thorsau.

J. N. Bush, contractor, who has been visiting relatives at Newkirk, Okla., has returned to Estancia.

Mrs. W. H. Mason made a visit to Kennedy recently.

In the recent oratorical contest the boys' medal was won by Ralph Bedford, and the girls' medal was won by Nanette Marsh.

ALPINE TO HAVE NEW SKATING RINK AND THEATER.

Alpine, Texas, Jan. 24.—The skating rink is being torn down, and will be rebuilt on Cas Edwards' block, near the court house. It will also be enlarged and remodeled to be used for an opera house.

R. L. Fuller and family, of El Paso, have moved to Alpine.

Miss Little Runyon has returned from an extended visit to Uvalde.

Miss Ruth Lott, of Valentine, is visiting Mrs. J. R. Middlebrook.

Wm. Bird, of Silver City, N. M., is in Alpine, visiting his brother, J. C. Bird.

W. H. Kokernot, of Gonzales, was a visitor in Alpine recently.

Judge E. F. Higgins is in Marfa for a few days attending court.

Mrs. Burnside, the trained nurse who has been attending Everett Russell, has returned to El Paso. Mr. Russell's condition being so much improved as not to require her services any longer.

J. S. Barnhart made a business trip to Marfa for a few days recently.

Mrs. C. A. Riggs has returned from a visit to El Paso.

INVESTIGATING A MURDER: PERSONALS FROM TUCUMCARI.

Tucumcari, N. M., Jan. 24.—Sheriff Ward went to Prairie View to make a thorough investigation of the murder of Herman Miller, who was found dead in his barn. No clue as to the murder has yet been discovered, but the sheriff has offered a reward of \$200 for information leading to the capture of the murderer.

Dr. Bruce Kinney, secretary of home missions for the western district, with headquarters at Topeka, was here Sunday and preached at the Baptist church in the evening.

Ed. Tenney, formerly of Oklahoma, has opened a restaurant in the Dairy lunch room, east of the Glenrock hotel.

W. R. Copen, who has been employed for some time by the Federal Banking company, has taken a position as stenographer for Gross Kelly.

OUR TEACHER BUILT HER OWN SCHOOL HOUSE

Structure Is Moved to New Townsite—Winter Wheat in Fine Condition.

Obar, N. M., Jan. 24.—The last building to be moved to the new townsite was the school house, and this has a rather interesting history.

When the town started there was no public money to build a school house, but a young school teacher from Texas, Miss Lila Riddings, built the present school house, and was the first teacher.

She is now Mrs. J. E. Dibble, wife of the lumberman here.

Winter wheat continues to look fine. The rye and alfalfa are coming on in splendid shape.

Farmers report that in digging holes for corner posts they find the ground so moist at the depth of four feet that it sticks to the tool. These conditions obtain on the upland farms.

The principal crop, although there will be considerable spring wheat sown if the right kind of seed can be obtained.

J. T. Kelley had a housewarming recently, and the festivities lasted till daylight. Mrs. Kelley serving a five course lunch to the guests at midnight.

Leo Toohy is building a concrete bungalow on his claim.

Herman Niechman has gone to Joplin, Mo.

Concrete Block Factory.

The first concrete building in Obar is now going up. It will be used as a factory for making blocks for a number of other concrete buildings to be erected soon.

D. M. Griffith is moving one of the houses on his ranch to a more suitable location.

John and Raymond Hackerott are helping their brother Ed, build his new barn.

The young folks of Missouri valley tendered a reception to J. W. Walkup recently at the residence of H. L. Cress.

The Young Women's Sewing circle is one of the new things in Obar.

Claude Durham has gone to Dalhart, Texas, on business.

The Obar orchestra, consisting of Walter and Robert Kehoe, Claude Durham and Theodore Kuehn, is a new organization.

Fred Parker is home from a trip to Joplin.

Dish Cloth vs. Broom.

The Pleasant Valley lyceum discussed the question, "Resolved, that the dish cloth is of greater importance in house-keeping than the broom."

The discussion was restricted entirely to the women, but the case was argued before a jury of three men.

There was lots of fun, and the case of "Dish Cloth vs. Broom" will be one of the celebrated cases of Quay county.

Jack Barbour, of Chicago, stopped off at Obar on his return from a business trip to El Paso, for a visit with his brother, H. C. Barbour.

Thos. Bruce and Will Foster have returned from Claude, Texas.

Paul G. Clark, formerly in business here, has gone to Corona, N. M., to take charge of a branch house for Gross, Kelley & Co., of Tucumcari.

Frank & Burkhardt are reconstructing and enlarging the blacksmith shop in Obar.

A telegram from Carlsbad announces the death at that place of George T. Hosier, who had a claim near Obar, and who was here with his family for a part of his trip to El Paso, for the visit of the St. Paul railroad at Osgood.

Ira L. Busch, living east of town, enjoyed a visit from his brother, C. D. Busch, and family, of Osgood, Mo., recently.

Mr. Busch is the agent of the St. Paul railroad at Osgood.

AUTO LINE ROSWELL TO MONTEREY, N. M.

Will Give Roswell and El Paso Much Closer Connections.

Monterey, N. M., Jan. 24.—This town is evincing very much interest in the proposed automobile route from Roswell to Monterey.

Assistant superintendent of the railway mail service, A. S. Roberts inspected the proposed route. A. B. Fall sent over his auto and driver, John T. Hutchings, from Three Rivers, to make the trip.

J. W. Price, of Price Mercantile company, and Ira O. Wetmore, of the Tularosa Improvement company, accompanied Mr. Roberts on the trip.

The territory will soon pay to Otero county \$4000 for road funds, of which \$2000 is to be spent on this road. Indian agent James A. Carroll will build a road across the entire Indian reservation to Ruidosa, and with a few repairs on the road from Ruidosa to Hondo, it will make a fine automobile road, and give to Roswell and El Paso a direct connection, besides opening up one of the best valleys in New Mexico.

GLOBE ELKS LET CONTRACT FOR THEATER AND LODGE HALL.

Globe, Ariz., Jan. 24.—At a meeting of the building committee of the Elks' lodge, the contract for the building of the new lodge home in this city, was awarded to D. A. Evans, of Tucson. The cost of the building, when completed, will be \$24,000. In addition to this amount, the Elks will spend \$15,000 in furnishing their home after the work on the building has been done. The theater will be on the first floor and the lodge rooms above.

MINING STUDENTS PARADE IN PAJAMAS.

Socorro, N. M., Jan. 24.—The School of Mines was marked by the annual pajama parade. The parade was more than ever a success this year, and the town was surprised by the students. All of the members of the faculty were serenaded, including professors Drake, Paul, Cogswell, Walker, Kemner, and coach Kirchman. The serenaders were treated to refreshments at each professor's home.

Registration for the second semester has commenced, and is marked by an increased attendance, several new students arriving from Mexico City and Guadalajara, Mex.

TWO WEDDINGS AT SANTA ROSA

Townsite Company Is Settling Out Trees About the Little City.

Santa Rosa, N. M., Jan. 24.—Joseph Dobbin and Miss Silvia Powers, of Halle, this county, were married by the Rev. J. L. Freeman at the parsonage in Santa Rosa. They will reside in Halle, where Mr. Dobbin is postmaster.

J. M. Hawkins and Miss Nina Whitman, both formerly of Logan, N. M., were married by the Rev. J. L. Freeman at the Methodist parsonage. They will reside in this city.

The townsite company has received a large shipment of trees, and is setting them out on its various properties about the city.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Dozier and little daughter left for Eldorado, Ark., to spend a few weeks before going to their home in Mississippi to remain.

Mrs. J. P. Mott entertained at cards at the Mot hotel Saturday afternoon.

Minor Rudolph, of Tucumcari, is here on business.

John H. Hicks and wife have moved in from the Aqua Negra grant, and will occupy rooms above the First National bank.

E. C. Pollard, deputy head consul of the Modern Woodmen of America, who are here endeavoring to organize a local lodge here, is meeting with success.

Three government veterinarians, working under territorial supervision, are here examining the range and dairy cattle in this vicinity.

PRETTY HOME WEDDING SOLEMNIZED AT NOGALES.

Mexican Customs Lay Requiring Duty on Carriages From American Side Is Being Enforced.

Nogales, Ariz., Jan. 24.—A pretty and simple wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Piper, of this place. The contracting parties were Theron Richardson and Miss Rita Land, both of Nogales, the Rev. Mr. Bolt, of the Episcopal church, officiating.

The Nogales water company is now supplying customers on both sides of the line from its new wells on the north side of town.

Prof. J. H. Merrill, of New York, is in Nogales from Canada.

The Mexican customs law here that carriages and freight teams belonging to the American side are not permitted to cross the Mexican side without paying the regular amount of duty, is being enforced.

Tim O'Keefe has returned from a visit to his mother in New York.

Tom Sanford has returned from a two months' business trip to San Antonio, Texas.

Dr. Young, cattle inspector from Douglas, was in Nogales recently.

NEW MEXICO INCORPORATORS: WATER APPLICATION APPROVED.

Santa Fe, N. M., Jan. 24.—The Copper City Mining company, of Deming, this county, has incorporated, with \$1,000,000 capitalization, with the following incorporators and directors: Albert Schultz, Joseph A. Mahoney, Newton A. Bolch, Charles J. Kelly and Christian Rathel.

Assistant territorial engineer Charles D. Miller has approved the applications of the Santa Fe Irrigation and Improvement company for the surplus waters of the Arroyo Hondo to fill three dams, six miles south of Santa Fe, for the irrigation of 15,000 acres, at a cost for construction of \$250,000.

SOLOMONVILLE PERSONALS.

Solomonville, Ariz., Jan. 24.—Mrs. T. S. Burch entertained the whist club from Safford recently.

Mrs. Frank Richardson recently entertained Mrs. Moorhead and daughter, Mrs. P. C. Slegle, of Goldfield, Nev., together with Mrs. Frank Ringgold, wife of Globe, Ariz.

Ph. Fruendlich attended a meeting of the bank directors of the Bank of Safford. He was accompanied by Mrs. Fruendlich.

Mrs. Alice Bishop McAllister entertained the Fortnightly Whist club lately.

Mitt Simms is in Clifton for a few days.

NEW MORMON COLONY LOCATED IN SINALOA

Title to Lands Is Perfected and Irrigation Ditch to Be Built.

Colonia Dublan, Mex., Jan. 24.—A Mormon colony has been formed in the state of Sinaloa. The land was purchased some time ago, but the titles have just recently been perfected. A number of families are already there, and more are expected right away. They will engage in agriculture and fruit raising. A very large canal will be taken from the river and it is expected to cover a great area of land.

A very pleasant surprise party was given at the home of Ellen Bluth, in honor of the birthday anniversary of Francis Farnsworth.